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Devices & Methods for Port-Access Multivessel Coronary Artery

Bypass Surgery

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Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2004 for three(3) month(s) from June 20, 2004 to September 20, 2004. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/HRT0287/BST in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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